

REMARKS

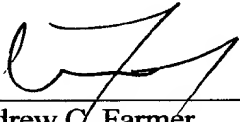
This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed April 9, 2004. Presently, claims 1 to 30 are pending in the application. All of the claims stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 for double patenting.

The Examiner has rejected each of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §101 for double patenting over claims 1 to 21 of U.S. Patent No. 6,447,719 B1. A terminal disclaimer is submitted herewith thereby mooting the rejection.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and early notice of allowance of the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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